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GENERAL MOTORS STRIKE ENDS

Pay Roll Tax Vote Assured By 16,644 Valid Signatures

Efforts To Sabotage CIO Petitions Fail

Toledo's much disputed income pay roll tax ordinance enacted by City Council Jan. 27 was assured a place on the ballot on Saturday of last week when the Board of Elections certified 16,644 valid signatures to Lawrence Davis, clerk of City Council.

On Monday morning of this week, the council clerk reported the petitions to Council which was unable to make up its mind about ordering the election after Wilfred Christensen, city law director expressed the opinion that the election must be held within 30 days following certification, or about April 10.

Councilman Tom Burke speaking for PAC which circulated and filed the petitions, told Council that his organization did not desire a special election

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Election Date Set

Members of the Board of Elections meeting on Wednesday morning of this week by unanimous approval set May 7, as the date for the payroll tax ordinance referendum.

Board members felt that because of the expense of conducting a special election, insufficient time to mail ballots to the servicemen and the confusion attendent upon preparing for the election in a short time, that the election should be held concurrently with the party primaries.

Pt. Clinton Strike Remains Peaceful

PORT CLINTON, March 13 — No progress has been made in the settlement of the week old Standard Products strike here, according to Tom Kenny, Local 497, UAW-CIO official.

Mr. Kenny reported that the picket lines have been peaceful and that the only incidents which have occured were the turning back of trucks which attempted to deliver steel to the plant.

Members of the strike committee report morale as being high and a determination to hold the line until the corporation accedes to the demands of the strikes.

Public sentiment is on the side of the strikers with both local weekly newspapers handling the strike news impartially.

Principal issues in the dispute are wages and a backlog of 161 unsettled grievances. More than 3000 workers have been fired or quit since the present plant manager was employed by the company some months ago.

Vets Quit Their Jobs

WASHINGTON, March 11 — (LPA) — Veterans are quitting their jobs much faster than civilian workers, a study by the Labor Dept. Bureau of Labor Statistics showed last week.

While 37 of every 1000 nonveterans quit their jobs in December, the corresponding rate for veterans was 57, BLS found. However, the report pointed out that "Turnover is always greater among recently hired workers than among longer-service employes. Hence undue importance should not be attached to the higher quit rate among veterans."

Discharges and firings of veterans were only half as large for veterans as for non-veterans, it was disclosed with only 10 out of every 1000 vets discharged or laid off while the rate for nonvets was 20.

BLS also discovered that more than two-fifths of all persons hired by manufacturing industries during December were veterans. As a result, veterans in manufacturing now number ',-110,000 or almost 10 per rent of the total.

Lima Loco Gives Wage Increases

Workers Approve Company Offer

LIMA, March 11 — Twenty-six hundred workers of Lima Locomotive Works of tris city, members of Local 106, UAW-CIO will gain in excess of $1,000,000 annually as a result of an 18½-cent wage increase granted them on March 8, by the company.

Approval of the increase was voted unanimously here over the week-end by a packed mass meeting held in Memorial Hall.

Included in the contract agreement were a four hour call-in pay, double time for Saturdays afternoon and about 20 other concessions granted by the Lima Locomotive Workers management.

Strike Is Averted

Settlement of the wage scale and other points in dispute at the Locomotive Works averted a strike which was threaten-

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CIO Wage Gains Hit Half Million

More Raises Remain To Be Negotiated

WASHINGTON, March 11 (LPA)—The CIO has won gains of about $500,000,000 a year for a million and a half workers, according to reports received at CIO headquarters here from 12 of the major CIO international unions. More raises are yet to be negotiated in auto, shipyard, packing, farm equipment, maritime and other unions, CIO headquarters reports.

"Under the militant policy of CIO President Murray," write Fred d'Avila and Everett Kassalow in the CIO's national weekly, "CIO affiliates took their case to the people in demonstrations and on picket lines that not only won badly needed raises for hundreds of thousands of workers, but also guaranteed continued security for their unions."

Report Wage Gains

Here are some of the wage gains reported: United Steelworkers, 18½c an hour for 750,-000 workers (500,000 have the raise, 250,000 still out will get it); United Auto Workers, 211,-800 in Ford, Chrysler Studebaker, Briggs, Kaiser-Fraizer, Willys-Overland, Champion Spark Plug, who got either 18c, 18½c, or lower rates to be adjusted upward to the industry scale when the GM strike ends.

Textile Workers Union of America, 195,000 workers getting 8c an hour in northern cotton mills, 15c an hour in woolen and worsted mills, 10c an hour in carpet and rug mills, and 11c an hour in synthetic yarn mills;

Amalgamated Clothing Workers industry got 20% to 31% raises; Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers, 48,000 workers got 18½c an hour, 17c an hour, and 20% raises. Oil Workers, 30,000 strong, won 18% raises.

Only major settlements are reported in the summary, and the CIO adds that "There are many others, involving smaller unions and fewer workers, that could be added to the total:"

18c More Per Hour From Now On

Idle for more than a month because of the steel shortage, 38,000 Ford workers start punching time clocks again with a brand new union contract in their pockets. These workers checking in at River Rougle can still boast the highest pay scales in the auto industry. (LPA).

AN EDITORIAL

THE CIO SAYS NO

It now appears that the Toledo Blade has a program directed against CIO and Richard Gosser, CIO regional director, because the latter has on several occasions voiced his opposition to an income-payroll tax enacted without the exemptions asked for by CIO.

It has always been the contention of CIO and advanced social thinkers that just taxation must be based upon the ability to pay. This is Mr. Gosser's opinion, the opinion of CIO and of all people who are not entirely oblivious to the constant struggle of the workers for what Mr. Gosser describes as "a greater way of life for all the people of America."

The Blade makes much ado over the fact that Mr. Gosser did not wait for the Toledo Industrial Union Council to consider the income-payroll tax at its meeting this week before issuing his statement. The fact of the matter is that the CIO Council has, on two previous occasions, voted its opposition to the tax unless an exemption were placed in it. Moreover, a survey of CIO plants has revealed that by far the greater majority of CIO workers are opposed to the ordinance as it now stands.

So far as Mr. Gosser's influence is concerned, it must be obvious to even the Blade that when the democratic vote is held on May 7 that Mr. Gosser certainly cannot influence anyone's mind when they vote in a secret ballot. And there will be some, but not many CIO members who will vote for the tax.

It is also obvious that the Toledo Blade and some of the peopleof Toledo who are for the tax seem to be laboring under the impression that after the CIO-PAC circulatd the petitions they should now stand still and let the advocates of the ordinance do all the drum beating. That isn't democratic.

We certainly agree with the Blade editorial that Mr. Gosser doesn't speak for everybody in Toledo, nor does he pretend to speak for the entire CIO. He was elected by the United Automobile Workers and does speak for them and will continue to do so whether the Toledo Blade likes the things he says or not.

So far as climbing up on a pedestal is concerned, it is quite apparent that the Blade doesn't understand the Auto Workers. There are no pedestals in the UAW. The poorest paid worker in UAW shops can and frequently does voice open and bitter criticism of union officials from the highest to the lowest during conventions and in between times.

If, as the Blade contends, Mr. Gosser is the only one in favor of repealing the income-payroll tax, what is the Blade worried about? If Mr. Gosser is alone in his opposi-

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WATCH IT GROW

Many Local 12 workers have been granted wage increases either in the way of token raises which will be re-negotiated based upon the national wage pattern, or in conformity with the pattern.

Turn to the table at the top of page 2 and see what the increased wage scale means to the workers themselves and to the business of Toledo. Increased purchasing power reflects itself in every business and brings greater benefits to the entire community.

Has your shop been given an increase. See Page 2.

Bowles Fights Our Fight

DETROIT, March 11 — (LPA) "Chester Bowles needs the support of every consumer in his courageous fight to hold the price line against the massed forces of inflation which have descended on the nation's capital," UAW Consumers Division director Walter P. Reuther told union locals last week.

"He deserves, and must have the backing of every auto worker family. Chester Bowles is fighting our fight. We must let the President and the Congress know that we back Bowles. I call on all UAW-CIO members to tell their elected representatives immediately by wire, or postcard that they must fight with us and with Bowles against the speculators and profiteers who seek to wreck price control."

Phone Stoppage Averted

WASHINGTON, March 11 (LPA) — A nationwide telephone strike was averted last week just 30 minutes before a deadline that would have silenced millions of phone, 1,-500,000 miles of teletype and telegraph circuits and 80,000 miles of radio lines.

Union officials counted the new agreement, which provides for pay raises up to 18.3c an hour, as a complete victory.

Terms of the new contract, which will run for one year, include: $5 to $8 increase for outside maintenance and construction men and plant craftsmen; $5 to $7 for operators; $5 to $7 for clerical employes and message operators; $5 across the board for mechanics, house service employes and others.

The raise generally will amount to 17.6c an hour, but in the case of the 19,3000 long lines employes fringe gains will bring the total hike to 18.3 cents.

Jump the Gun

Settlement came after 31 almost continuous hours of discussions. Workers in Washington and other cities jumped the 6 o'clock deadline and were already marching on picketlines when the agreement was announced.

Retroactive to Feb. 1, the new contract provides for maintenance of membership and a number of fringe improvements. Individual affiliates will now bargain with local or regional Bell systems on particular contract clauses such as classifications and shift differentials.

One of the immediate effects of the victory, apart from strengthening an organization that has hitherto been a loose federation of 50 autonomous groups, will probably be the affiliation of thousands of other phone workers who are either unorganized or members of unions not connected with the NFTW.

G. M. Aid Is Reported

Reports of a citywide GM strike committee are made each Thursday to delegates from local shops which meet at Local 12 headquarters. Income and expenditures are detailed at the weekly meeting.

In the last report, it was shown that 588 families are receiving aid.

Assistance given to the families of Chevrolet workers varies according to the size of the family and the need. In order to be eligible for aid the striker must be on the picket line at least eight hours each week. Food and fuel are the principal items furnished the strikers. No luxuries are allowed since the money is limited and does not permit going beyong food allowances.

Morale Is High

The morale of the 1000 Toledo GM strikers remains remarkably high despite 116 days of idleness forced upon them by the stubborn attitude of the corporation. They feel that they have the moral and financial support of the workers of Toledo and have confidence in the justice of their cause.

Put in the words of one of the strikers, "we are prepared to see this strike through no matter what the cost. This is more than a fight for a nickle in our pay envelopes. It is a struggle to determine if the largest corporation in the nation can run rough-shod over the workers who produce its wealth, the public who buys its products and the government which represents all the people.

Chevrolet workers have asked that their thanks to the workers of Toledo be expressed through the TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL and add, "with such support the strike will ultimately be won."

Churches Support Strike

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 11 — (LPA) — Labor's goals were strongly supported in a report presented to the plenary session of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America here last week. The churchmen reaffirmed the right of labor to strike, called for "good faith in collective bargaining," supported the basic right to work at an adequate wage and at a man's highest capacity regardless of creed or race, and urged that the competitive motive in industry be kept at a minimum.

Round The Clock Conferences Bring End of Stoppage

DETROIT, March 13—Announcement was made today of the end of the General Motors strike after 113 days of idleness which cost the corporation and workers millions of dollars in lost time and sales.

Details of the agreement were not immediately available although the wage scale had been agreed upon. The figure accepted by the union was 18½ cents. Whether the additional cent the union had asked for would be submitted to arbitration as the union had requested last week was not announced.

Settlement of the strike came after the 17th straight hour of conference which continued night and day between the union and company officials.

Settlement Was Alternative

When the negotiations began on Tuesday negotiators had the alternative of either settling now or putting off final settlement until April 1 according to word given out here. With the end in sight, negotiators settled down to their task with the determination to affect a final solution to their problems as long as there was any hope of making a settlement.

One of the principal points in the dispute after the settlement of the pay issue was reported to be the question of retroactive pay.

The settlement was rumored to be a final settlement and not a temporay deal between the corporation and union.

Laid To Convention

Rumors around Detroit were that the strike settlement was made because of the forthcom-

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Angry Senator

Sen. Robert M. LaFollette (Prog., Wis.), who has done more than any other man in Congress to expose union busting, declared last week that reactionary industrialists "are setting the same stage" in a new effort to destroy organized labor. "They seek to foment hysteria," he said, "and thus secure passage of legislation that will hamstring labor."

Gosser Committee To Visit C. I. O.

Added support for the candidacy of Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO regional director was given by 100 delegates from UAW regions from Ohio, Michigan and Indiana in a meeting held at Local 12 headquarters on Wednesday night night of this week.

Plans were made for setting up a headquarters for Director Gosser at the Atlantic City convention and strategy formulated for advancing his candidacy were the principals topics of the meeting.

A strategy committee composed of Melvin Schultz, Local 12 president, Tom Burke, vice-president and Cyrus Martin of the Willys-Overland Unit was choosen to visit CIO President Philip Murray in Washington. The committee will depart this week.

Melvin Schultz, chairman of the Gosser committee presided over the meeting.

Packard Election Won by Local 12

An investigation by the regional National Labor Relations Board into the representation election held at the plant of the Packard Motor Co., Laskey Rd., March 7, participated in between Local 12 and the MESA is almost certain to return the UAW-CIO a winner it is believed.

Results of the election were as follows:

Local 12, NAW-CIO 45 votes
MESA ..... 16 votes
Challenged ..... 28 votes

All votes challenged were by the MESA and will be investigated by the NLRB. Local 12 officials express every confidence that more than enough of the challenged votes will be validated by the regional NLRB to insure the UAW a majority of the 90 votes cast.

MESA Asks Election

Application for the election was made by the MESA which stated in its petition last Sept. 8 that 45 UAW members had designated their union as bargaining agent.

Approval of the election came following an NLRB hearing and setting the date of the election or March 7.

Certification of Local 12 will follow investigation of the challenged votes by the NLRB. If one vote out of the 28 which was challenged is validated the UAW will be declared winner.

OPA Funds Slashed; Bowles Blames Greed

WASHINGTON, March 11 (LPA)—No veteran of the Washington scene was willing last week to predict the outcome of the fight to extend the Price Control Act without crippling amendments. While congressmen eyed with interest the public opinion polls indicating that an overwhelming majority of their constituents wanted the OPA continued, both Senate and House nonetheless voted to slash deficiency appropriations for OPA to fight black markets between now and June 30.

A conference committee was still considering the slash in half of this appropriation asked by OPA, and unions and consumer groups are urging wires and phone calls to the members of the conference committee: Senators Millard Tydings (D., Md.), Kenneth McKellar (D., Tenn.), Carl Hayden (D., Ariz.); Representatives Clarence Cannon (D., Mo.), Louis Lutlow (D., Ind.), Emmet O'Neal (D., Ky.) and Louis C. Rabaut (D., Mich.)

Support Given Reluctantly

Support was given "reluctantly" by the powerful House Special Committee on Postwar Economic Policy and Planning to extension of the Price Control Act. Killing OPA at this time "would most likely result in ruinous inflation and would react unfavorably not only to the wage earners and consumers but to business itself," the committee concluded.

This bi-partisan body held hearings over a five-month period and is not known for its liberalism.

No words were minced by top stabilization officials in a barrage of press statements early last week, in which the finger was clearly pointed at the lobbies that have been fighting behind the scenes, as well as in public, to kill the stabilization machinery.

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Await Truman Appointments

WASHINGTON, March 11 — (LPA) — Washington last week awaited appointment by President Truman of the three economic advisers provided for in the Employment Act of 1946. Names of those under consideration by the White House is a closely guarded secret, but several liberal organizations have offered Truman lists of favored candidates.

Success or failure of the employment law, according to labor economists, will rest in great part with the three men whom Truman appoints.

Part of the advisers' responsibility will be to prepare an annual report for Truman's submission to Congress analyzing the employment situation, the prospects for full employment during the coming year, the methods of filling the gap with public works programs if private industry is unable to absorb the available workers.

Commerce Secretary Henry Wallace, hailing passage of the act, said that "There is no question but that the U. S. government can or should accept its own proper share of the total responsibility. Private business in our private enterprise system can and must carry the load. But private business cannot shoulder the whole responsibility, for the simple reason that the discharge of that responsibility involves factors over which private business has no control."

Congress Patience With G-M Wanes

WASHINGTON, March 11 (LPA)—Congressional patience with the "four-flushing" tactics of General Motors grew thinner and thinner last week and tempers rose close to the boiling point following President Truman's statement that he still believed GM should accede to the government fact finding board's recommendation of a 19½-cent an hour wage increase.

Indignant disgust with the world's richest corporation hit a new high, particularly in the Senate where Senator James Murray (D., Mont.) and Wayne Morse (R., Ore.) are pushing for a full-fledged congressional investigation of the causes of the GM and other strikes.

Said Murray, "Members of the Senate Labor Committee now feel that the principal thing GM is after now is to bust the union." He was joined by Morse who declared that "I think we've got to find out whether certain segments of industry are out to wreck unions."

LaFollette Charges GM

Rep. Charles LaFollette (R., Ind.) told the House that GM is making "a deliberate attempt to encourage the spread of communism" in refusing to bargain in good faith.

Senator Pepper (D., Fla.) in a blistering telegram to Civilian Production Administrator John D. Small, demanded that the latter exercise his authority under the second War Powers Act and "allocate the unused steel GM has on hand to those industries which need steel and are working."

Proof that GM had no intention to bargain in good faith became flagrantly evident once again when the company rejected the offer of the United Auto Workers-CIO to arbitrate and countered with a proposal that the 175,000 strikers be se-

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and said that the May 7 primary elections would be a satisfactory date.

Speaks for AFL

Otto Brach, general secretary for the AFL's Central Labor Union which favors the payroll tax also said that his organization wished to see the election held on May 7 at the party primaries.

Council adjourned without taking definite action upon the petitions.

Times Fights Petitions

What action CIO will take on the pay roll tax ordinance will be determined at its meeting of March 14 with every indication pointing to active opposition to the ordinance.

One of the principal targets for CIO criticism is expected to be the Toledo Times, which during the time the petitions were being circulated, as well as after they were filed printed many stories which created CIO antagonism.

No later than Tuesday of this week, the Times published a story about the payroll tax in which it stated that CIO leaders were in favor of the tax. This report was immediately spiked by Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO regional director who lead the fight on the tax in January prior to its passage by Council.

Gosser Makes Statement

Director Gosser in denying the Times statement said the following:

"It is my opinion that everyone is speaking for the CIO and its leadership in the Toledo Times except CIO itself. Why should anyone believe that PAC, which is made up of a lot of segments of this community other than CIO, and also CIO, would go to the trouble of getting 16,000 signatures if it did not intend to oppose the payroll tax which we believe should have exemptions written into it. One of the main points as a guiding rule should have been based on the ability to pay.

"To all the voters in the city of Toledo, I want to say clearly and plainly that I personally am opposed to the payroll tax. Further, I am sure that the delegates to the Toledo Industrial Union Council, TOLEDO UNION JOURNAL and its editor, Ollie Pecord; many members of the CIO, many members of the American Federation of Labor and Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, also many people who are not members of any labor organization but are completely tired of being overtaxed, are opposed to the payroll tax.

"We of CIO always have been and always will continue to be against it. If we must have it we believe it should be set up on a just and fair basis. Is an state without qualification that by far the majority of the membership of organized labor favors taxation based on the ability to pay.

Far From Fair

"The payroll tax system is far from fair when it takes from a woman making $20 per week one per cent on the dollar, and at the same time takes from an industrialist who makes possibly $400 or more per week just one per cent on the dollar, and no exemption whatever.

"It takes from a single person 1 per cent on the dollar, and at the same time takes from a married man with a family from 1 to 10, one per cent on the dollar, no exemptions whatever. Further, it taxes the payroll twice in our opinion. It would be foolish to list all the unfair points in this taxation.

"We appeal to all the voters of the city of Toledo to attend a rally that will be held at a later date with the aim to gather together as many of the voters as possible—with but one goal—to defeat the payroll tax.

Denies Chaos

"There are those who say that if this plan is defeated it will bring chaos to the city. This is not only a stupid remark but a childish one. There are many ways in which our City Council, whom the people have entrusted to run this city, could find means to raise required revenues, the same as hundreds of other cities of the United States that do not have the payroll tax. Yet they are being run in such a manner as to beautify and enlarge the cities and neither the Council nor officials under their city manager plans are crying for the need of a payroll tax.

"Furthermore, I am completely convinced that the average fairminded citizen is not completely satisfied with the way the payroll tax has been earmarked and the failure of the city administration to take into confidence all the segments of our community so that this money could be earmarked to the satisfaction of by far the majority with three outstanding points as their goal.

"1. The growth of the city in a greater health and recreational program.

"2. Bringing more industries into the city.

"3. The elimination of all debt and for the reduction of real estate and other taxes. This can be done even without a payroll tax.

"I want to assure the voters of the city of Toledo that we of the CIO will pledge now and forever in the future to fight overtaxation in the city of Toledo at any time in any form. For we believe that the American payroll dollar is far overtaxed now and we continue with one of the slogans of the PAC, 'taxes based on the ability to pay and a greater way of life for all the people of America'.

Shops Oppose Tax

CIO's certain opposition to the pay roll tax was indicated early this week when Clem Holewinski, executive PAC manager stated that a poll of CIO shops in Toledo showed an overwhelming majority opposed to the tax.

Said Holewinski: "I do not see how CIO can take any other position than to oppose the pay roll tax in the light of our findings made in shop surveys. The CIO is opposed to the tax by such a majority that we cannot go counter to the desires of our membership".

Despite the opposition to the tax ordinance which is almost certain to be voiced officially at the Toledo Industrial Union Council meeting Thursday night, City Manager George N. Schoonmaker has requested and been granted time to speak in favor of the tax before the Council delegates. He will speak prior to the regular meeting.

Indifferent To Date

PAC and CIO officials expressed their indifference to the date set for the elections. It is believed however, that the election cannot possibly be held before May 7 due to the fact that the Board of Elections cannot ready a special election in the short space of time between now and the time the special election would have to be held.

Board of Election workers are busy now preparing for the May 7 primary and to place the added burden of a special election prior to that date would be an almost impossible task according to those who know the amount of work necessary to prepare for such a vote.

RAISES GRANTED---WATCH THEM GROW

PLANT	No. Employed	Wage Increase	Annual Increase 40 Hours
Ab Wilkie Trucking	5	5%	$ 520.00
Champion	2250	21 cents	$1,000,000.00
Commercial Metals	40	10%	$ 8,320.00
DeVilbiss	To be computed		
Daney Brass	18	10 cents*	$ 3,744.00
DuPont Chemical	20	11c	$ 4,576.00
Ensign Foundry	50	15 cents	$ 15,600.00
Fort Pitt Steel Co.	20	07½c	$ 3,120.00
Klopping Stamping Co.	20	05c*	$ 2,080.00
LaClede-Christy	80	10c*	$ 16,640.00
Plaskon	172	10 cents*	$ 39,053.00
Rathbun-Jones	110	10%*	$ 22,880.00
National Supply	1000	16-17 cents	$ 335,920.00
Toledo Casting	60	10 cents*	$ 12,480.00
Toledo Stamping	185	10%*	$ 40,404.00
Toledo Porcelain Enamel	155	10%*	$ 32,240.00
Toledo Pressed Steel	90	15c	$ 28,080.00
Willys-Overland	4300	10 cents*	$ 900,000.00
TOTALS	4275		$2,465,577.00

* Token Increases. Contracts will be reopened for wage negotiations.

Editor's Note: This list in imcomplete. Many other Local 12 plants have granted increases which have not yet been compiled. As the list is completed, the names of the other contract plants will be added. Several millions in wage increases have been gained by Local 12 shops according to the wage pattern set in the nation or by token increases which will be renegotiated on the basis of the national wage pattern.

OPA Funds Are Slashed

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Stabilization Administrator Bowles told the National Farmers Union convention that opposed to price controls "are some of the most irresponsible, reckless, greedy organizations in America."

"Let there be no question about whom I am talking. I am talking about the lobbyists of the National Association of Manufacturers. I am talking about the heads of the National Retail Dry Goods Association, with all the phony propaganda with which they seek to cash in on the apparel shortage. I am talking about some of the real estate lobbies and your old friend the packers' lobby and the textile lobby. I am talking about the dairy lobby.

"I am talking about those lobbyists who haunt the Washington hotels and the Halls of Congress and the governmental agencies, endlessly scheming and plotting to trade the interests of the great majority of our people for the narrow, short-range profit of the groups which they represent."

Responding to such pressure, Rep. Fred A. Hartley (R., N. J.) has set up a committee of members of the House, claiming over 100 supporters from both parties, to make OPA "more effective" and to "eliminate abuses."

Congressional Patience Wanes

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cretly polled on whether they wanted to return to work. But again GM ran for cover when the union agreed to a ballot on which the strikers could choose between returning with an increase of pay of 18½ cents or returning with the 18½ cents with the remaining one cent submitted to arbitration. Knowing too well how such a vote would go, GM turned thumbs down.

Other developments on the GM front were: 1. President Truman turned down a request by the Detroit City Council to intervene in the strike which "most seriously affects the whole economic life" of the city. 2. Alfred Federido, national UAW negotiator, asked Truman to remove James F. Dewey (who the same week indicated he would be a candidate for Congress) from his post as GM mediator. 3. UAW President R. J. Thomas charged that the NLRB has aligned itself with GM against the union.

Some See the Light

DES MOINES, Iowa (LPA) — Iowans realize that higher wages are necessary, according to a recent Iowa Poll, and they favor boosting the minimum wage from its present 40c to the 65c recommended in the minimum wage bill now before Congress.

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tion, the Blade editorial need never have been written.

As a matter of fact, and the Blade actually answers its own argument, it is the opinion of the majority of the members of CIO including Mr. Gosser and Mr. Burke who did not introduce the payroll tax as the Blade editorial contends, that those who live in Ottawa Hills should not only pay a 1 per cent tax to the city, but that the tax should be so graduated that they pay over the 1 per cent as their income ascends and that the woman who makes $20 should pay absolutely nothing. There is neither logic nor justice in saying, as the Blade clearly says, that a woman who earns $20 a week should be taxed in the same ratio as a $400 a week industrialist.

With respect to taking the people from Ottawa Hills off our back, we certainly subscribe to the Blade's thinking on this point. Moreover, it might be well to point out in this connection that ever since the CIO was organized more than 10 years ago, it began taking these people off the backs of the workers and is still working at the job. We have just collected an 18½-cent wage increase to help rid our backs of some of the load and promise that we will be back for another installment.

We concede that with power comes responsibility and we should like to point out to the Blade that it would be well if it could heed its own words before plucking the moat from Mr. Gosser's eye.

We should like to point out, and not even the Blade can deny this, that both Richard Gosser and the CIO have succeeded to a marked degree in advancing the wages and economic welfare of thousands of workers in Toledo, whereas the Blade has succeeded only in advancing the price of its newspaper from 3 to 5 cents.

Both CIO and Richard Gosser stand for principles based upon right and justice, a statement we wish we could make for the Blade after its Wednesday editorial. Both CIO and Mr. Gosser, say no to the income payroll tax ordinance.

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ed last week when the company offered a 15 cent wage increase with a promise of increasing the wage scale at a later date to meet the national wage pattern.

Final negotiations leading to the satisfactory settlement of the wage scale was conducted by Richard Gosser, UAW-CIO regional director of Toledo in three conferences with the company management over the past 10 days.

Detailed negotiations were carried out by the shop officers headed by Allen Ireland. Assisting were Howard Seren, International representative fro mthe office of Richard Gosser.

Members of the shop committee are Hubert Green, Walter Meeks, W. R. Unbaugh, James Folk, Homer Evers, Forest Branson, Clarence Scherer, Thomas Canover, Herman Branson, Clifford Burden, Walter Gehr and Marion Shaw.

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ing UAW-CIO Atlantic City convention. Those close to Walter P. Reuther, UAW-CIO vice-president and director of the General Motors Division however, said that Mr. Reuther would spend very little time at the convention if the strike was not settled prior to March 21.

President R. J. Thomas, George Addes, secretary-treasurer and Mr. Reuther will go to Washington tomorrow for a CIO meeting.

None of the UAW-CIO officials were available for a statement following the announcement of the ending of the strike.

Toledo striking GM workers members of the Chevrolet Unit of Local 14, UAW-CIO expressed their satisfaction with the ending of the strike and celebrated what is belived to be one of the outstanding strikes in automobile workers long history. It was the longest strike ever held since the organization of the union outlasting the original GM strike in which workers in Flint sat down on the job and refused to move from the plants.

No announcement was made relative to the Chevrolet workers returning to work, but the general concensus was that there would be a general return to jobs by Monday of next week.

Chest Pays Hospitals

Nine hundred and twenty-two patients were cared for at a cost of $75,000 last year in six Toledo hospitals under the Greater Toledo Community Chest hospitalization plan.

This help went for payment of all or part of the hospital expenses of persons unable to meet the cost. In some cases repayment is made. Last year, for instance, about half the patients helped were able to repay all or part of the funds advanced.

When funds are needed to pay a hospital bill, the matter is referred to the Chest's Central Investigation Bureau which clears determination of needy cases without delay. The bureau ascertains financial resources of the family, and if found necessary recommends funds to be alloted the hospital where the patient is receiving treatment.

The hospital gets $6 a day regardless o billing and releases the case to C I B. However, if the patient eventually repays the whole bill. the entire amount is sent the hospital. No interest is ever charged the patient on any such advance. However, if repayment is found impossible, the chest takes care of the bill without further difficulty for the patient.

Indigent cases, those on relie, do not come under Chest jurisdiction as they are cared for at Maumee Valley hospital.

Six hospitals are affiliated with the Chest. They are Mercy, Flower, East Side, Riverside, Robinwood and St. Vincent's.

Clearing of cases, especially advance hospitalization arrangements, is assisted by Richard Lazette, the CIO representative to the Community Chest.

Railroad Strike Is Averted

WASHINGTON, March 11 (LPA) — The deadline for a "strike" on the railroads arrived and passed this week—without a strike, despite newspaper scare headlines about an imminent walkout.

As customary under Railway Labor Act procedure, the threatened stoppage, originally set for Monday (March 11), was put off by the unions involved — the Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen — after President Truman appointed an Emergency Board to hear their case.

Truman set up the board on Friday and named to it: Leif Erickson, former judge of the Montana Supreme Court. Frank M. Swacker, New York attorney, and Gordon S. Watkins, University of California economics professor. Heads of the two unions thereupon suspended the strike call.

No Strike Threat

For the bulk of the nation's railway unions, there never was any threat of a strike. Eighteen of them — 15 "non-operating" and three "operating" — chose to submit their wage demands to arbitration. They represent 1,200,000 workers as against less than 300,000 by the Engineers and Trainmen.

Arbitration proceedings in the cases of the 18 unions entered the third week at Chicago with the unions winding up evidence in support of their wage demands.

The "non-operating" unions are seeking a 30-cent-an-hour increase and the three "operating" Brotherhoods a raise of $2.50 a day, which runs to slightly over 30 cents an hour.

Co-Op Health Group Grows

WASHINGTON, March 11 — (LPA) — Membership in Group Health Assn., pioneer in the field of prepaid health care, has been opened to all groups without discrimination as to race as a result of a membership referendum. GHA is now conducting a drive for 35,000 new members, planning to build a clinic building, and to further improve its services to members.

Jap Unions Ask Management Share

Amazing Spirit Shown By New Nip Organization

Though the Japanese labor movement has only just emerged from a long period of suppression and persecution, it is already extremely vigorous and full of an amazingly strong spirit of militancy.

Recently the Japanese government issued a statement to the effect that "unlawful acts" accompanying a labor dispute would be punished—a sort of Japanese version of the Case bill.

Representatives of the workers of 27 factories in the Tokyo area held a mass protest meeting and decided to send a delegation to present their protest to the premier.

The resolution protested the governmental decision and then went on: "We workers neither strike for fun nor to make fools of ourselves, but if the owners refuse demands essential to our very livelihood and disregard the present plight of the people, then the time for action has clearly come. The workers as a last resort,then must demand a share in the management of production. This is not an act of infringement of the rights of property.

The right to property is fundamentally dependent on production for the public benefit. If the owners do not serve the public, if they hoard and raise prices, then action must be taken to counteract these designs."

Party Issues Statement

The Social Democratic Party has also issued a strong statement condemning the policies of the government and accusing it to attempting to hamper the growth of democracy and of supporting the vested interests.

The party declaration warned that the government was attempting to suppress labor's rights and that it "blamed inflationary tendencies on the wage demands of the workers so as to cover up attempts by the capitalists to evade the capital levy tax." The Socialists as well as a number of important unions, demand a share for the workers in the management of production.

The Railway Workers Union, the Communication Workers Union and the Teachers Union have struck to gain higher wages and to impress on the government the necessity of giving more freedom of movement to labor organizations.

The first mass meeting of the Coal Miners' Unions which aims at uniting all the coal miners unions in the country took place a few weeks ago. Representatives of more than 150,000 Japanese coal miners were present. The main topic of discussion concerned the right of the miners' unions to participate in the management of the mines. (LPA)

POWs Work, Vets Jobless

NEWPORT NEWS, Va. March 11 — (LPA) — Use of war prisoners on military reservations is keeping veterans out of jobs, it is charged by the AFL Brotherhood of Painters, Paperhangers & Decorators. Last week they pointed out that about 30 painters are on the active file of the local USES while German POWs are painting public buildings at Fort Monroe.

Union Veterans To Elect Officers

Union veterans will elect their officers for the ensuing year at their regular monthly meeting to be held at Local 12 headquarters, Sunday, March 17, it was announced early this week by Chris Topel, UAW Veterans Department head.

In addition to the election of officers, a report on the application for a charter and by-laws will be made by the committee in charge of this activity. An entertainment committee will also be chosen.

Attendance at the veterans meetings has shown a very gratifying increase in the past several months, according to Mr. Topel. Any UAW-CIO war veteran is eligible for membership and all are urged to attend the meeting which will begin at 2 p. m.

Elections Up; Case Bill Down

WASHINGTON, March 11 (LPA)—The Senate Education-Labor Committee took a long hard look at the calendar last week and decided what with elections coming up in a few months it would be better all around if the nation's working men and women could concentrate on the virtues of Senatorial candidates without having their minds cluttered up with the vicious Case anti-labor bill.

As a result the Case bill, as passed by the House and denounced by all sections of organized labor, will be almost completely rewritten by a subcommittee with a view to elimination of sections that would "penalize or straitjacket labor," according to Committee Chairman James E. Murray (D., Mont.).

Senate version of the bill, which is expected to call for strengthening of the government's conciliation service, will be written during the next two weeks by the subcommittee comprising Senators Murray, Pepper (D., Fla.), Tunnell (D., Del.), Ellender (D., La.), La-Follette (Prog., Wis.), Ball (R., Minn.) and Morse (R., Ore.)

ILO-UNO Tie-In

WASHINGTON, March 11th—(LPA) — The International Labor Organization opened its membership to any of the United Nations, according to a report from the "working party" of the ILO which met in London last month.

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TAX MONEY

A few years ago city officials spent considerable tax money setting up a budget system and then tucked it away in a vault where all good laws that favor the real tax payers repose.

In reading the paper the other night we noticed an item which said the small businessmen's organization here in Toledo sent a congratulatory message to Senator (Who knows nothing) Taft for a speech he made regarding the Federal Government living within its budget. They must have forgotten about the long forgotten city budget that should have been in operation for years.

Lucas County is operated on a budget and it works fine, because the county is nearly out of debt. If we had the same kind of officials the city of Toledo would also be out of debt.

One U. S. Senator said, he wants his pork cooked, meaning give all the people a chance to vote to see if they really want it. It is our opinion they do not want to be taxed any more and that will be definitely proved when the tax is voted on.

Are you registered and able to vote for or against the payroll tax? Please visit the Board of Elections at 217 Superior St. next to the Esquire Theatre and then you will be able to vote your opinion.

Let's all donate our dollar each week to help out those grand General Motors boys and girls who are sacrificing their all for all workers who believe in organized labor.

This is a message to those who had a chance to attend the 2nd Annual Local No. 12 Steward Party Saturday night, March 9. Everyone had a swell time. Fine food, talks and bang up entertainment. Nuff sed.

The annual election of W. O. Unit officers for the coming year will take place at Local No. 12, on Friday, March 15th from 9:00 A. M. to 8:30 P. M. and Saturday, March 16th, from 9:00 A. M. to 2:30 P. M. Please make this a date.

We get a great deal of pleasure these days by seeing so many old friends being called back to work. It is our fervent wish that this company will expand so far that everyone will be called back.

We hear the brothers of Dept. 403 put on a penny drive to give Pete Williams, who heads the G. M. collection and his money counters quite a headache by collecting the large sum of 800 pennies. The only one who really suffered was Joe DeFilipo of Dept. 401.

Speaking of headaches we hear that Don Blair of Dept. 502 and Casey Stengel of Dept. 504 have been scouting all over Toledo to buy dry ice, because someone told them the fine spray that blows off the ocean at Atlantic City causes people to use ice bags the morning after.

The politicians are getting busy picking out their candidates. Let's all get our minds set on who we want to represent us by being registered and able to nominate who we want at the May primaries.

Commutator Comments

"Hungry" Doyan buys so much from Buddies that he needs a shop box to carry everything back to his machine.

We don't know what Fred Boose brought Sam Scott done up in a paper bag, but wonder if it had anything to do with Sam's getting sick.

Wonder why Joe Doyan refuses to take Al Miller to any more weddings.

How come Joe Szmak has so much trouble with the air lathes? Is it the machines that are tired, or can it be that Joe is too tired to keep them running?

We wish John McNair and Frank Cameron who are on sick leave speedy recoveries.

Ed Schmidt and Les Goodell will attend the UAW-CIO Atlantic City convention. We hope they will enjoy it.

The new man isn't a new man at all. He is Heil Hull, who has just returned to our shop after spending three years in the Navy.

The lads in the tool room sang happy birthday to Fred Boose, who celebrated his 40th birthday, he won't make it, but we wish him 140 more.

One guy in our plant is the fellow who comes prepared for bad weather, never forgets his rubbers. His wife, folks. It's the little woman, eh, Jerry?

We hope that Carl Harris will feel right at home in our shop after three years in the armed forces.

Picture of An Injunction

General Electric's attempt to provoke violence by obtaining an injunction against group picketing and using cops as strike-breakers only succeeded in doubling the determination of GE employes in Philadelphia to win their strike and a pay raise. The injunction, which failed to turn out a single radio or refrigerator, brought only a parade of 6000 pickets whom club-swinging police tried futiely to disperse. (LPA).

British Invade U.S. Car Market

NEW YORK, March 11 (LPA)—While U. S. auto manufacturers spent precious time battling with OPA for higher prices and with their own employes over pay raises, British manufacturers were planning a full-scale invasion of the American market, it was disclosed last week.

While American showrooms were almost entirely empty, the agents of British car makers were selling English-made Standards faster than they could be pulled out of ships in New York harbor. New York dealers, most of whom are still unable to promise definite delivery dates on new models, looked on enviously as the small four-cylinder Standards were snapped up by American buyers.

Selling for $1500 to $1800 the foreign cars were rated generally inferior to Detroit products. Three types, touring, sedan and convertible coupe, were offered with new shipments scheduled to continue during coming months.

Discovered — A New Tax Racket

INDIANAPOLIS, March 11 (LPA)—A new tax racket by corporations that are already receiving millions in wartime tax rebates was reported last week by the International Teamster, monthly magazine of the International Brotherhood of Teadsters-AFL.

The big corporations, according to the journal, "have discovered a new racket to get money out of the federal treasury. Many of them are deliberately overpaying their income taxes because the government refunds overpayments at 6 per cent interest." This, the magazine points out, "is more than twice what they could get for their money in war bonds or other sound securities. So they overpay and then collect it back at high interest. Are our law makers going to do anything about this? Or are they going to try it themselves?"

Porcelain Scribe

Having served as assistant to the official photographer at the annual Steward's dinner I was able to hear an inspiring short talk by a representative of the striking General Motors workers. The substance of his message being that the only way they could possibly be beaten was through many progressive citizens in other walks of life.

Let's not forget that if one branch of the labor movement can be broken it will not be long before they will try to tear the whole tree down. We are part of that tree of organized labor and all of us realize what it would be without the union. Let's not gripe about the buck we contribute to a cause which is our own and to benefits which we receive as part of a strong labor movement.

The people who have led this Unit in the past year are going to lead us again. With our help they will carry on this year with the sincerity and honesty they have displayed in the past.

O'Toole reported as getting married some time ago is quoted on stating his opinion of married life that "no man should be without it."

Anyone know who the Prince is? The answer may be published later.

Whadya say we join PAC and fight a two-front war. Industrially and politically. That's the only way that we will win!

'No Work' Bill Finds Worker

RICHMOND, Va. March 11th — (LPA) — One Virginia legislator here last week found a use for the stately legislative halls. Delegate E. Lake Triplett found they work fine as an employment agency. A few weeks ago, because he couldn't get anybody to be his farm hand, he introduced a "no work" bill which if passed would make it illegal to work for pay. The publicity he got attracted an applicant for the job, a former steel worker who thinks milking cows is no harder than what he used to do. However, the fate of the "no work" bill is still in doubt. Maybe the Virginia legislature will pass it.

Ragging the Scale

By Elsie Jaye

Please refrain from buying LS/MFT "Luckies" in support of the FTAW-CIO boys and girls who are on strike for higher wages and better working conditions.

And what do you know about Simon "Pete" Martin working on milk scales with the dairy workers on strike in Detroit. Shame on you, Pete.

Here's an Orchid to our own Ollie Pecord (belatedly for his election to the local housing commission. And at least a carnation, for his column of last week.

Did someone say there was no Santa Claus? Well, there is, and I think his work-a-day name is Rube Goetz, who is giving his place on the Monorails Bowling team to a new man, and paying the premium as well.

The Speedways, of the girls league, have won two out of three for the last three weeks. Being at the bottom of the list, as of last week, don't you think it's a little late, gals?

The girls are bowling their headpin tournament March 14, which might well be worth seeing. In fact, I think they are a good show anytime.

From all rumors floating around the plant today it is presumed that a good time was had by all at the Committee and Stewards Banquet Saturday nite. Brother Billheimer kept his table well entertained with a few of his chosen corny jokes. "Muscles" was the only one seen eating chicken along with a "small" (he said) helping of steak.

If you see Vic McCall drinking orange juice with brother Kenny you can blame it on "The Lost Week End". Victor went to see the movie after listening to one of Brother Bill's lectures.

The entire plant extends sincere sympathy to the mother and widow of George Schaeffer who recently passed away.

Bill Kenny is willing to accept the blame for the absence of our column from the JOURNAL last week. He was so carried away by his two hour talk with Ollie Pecord that he forgot to give him the column that was in his pocket at the time.

Toledo Stamping Notes

Ann Ernest continues to be the outstanding maple knocker of the girls' bowling teams. In spite of the support of Barbara's two-miss game last Tuesday, her team dropped two games to Lillian's. How about the men getting together some afternoon for a few practice games?

We understand some of the girls are anticipating a trip to Detroit. Those going are Ann Napierala, Doris Printki, Pearl Schiffler, Minnie Pregizer, Addie Van Klingeren and Harriet Weber.

Ann Rybka reported back to work last week after a sick leave of a year.

Pearl Schiffler's son has been discharged from the service and now has taken over the "Bank Grille" in Lagrange St.

Did we hear right? We haven't had time to check on the rumor, but we thought someone said the intended brides of the coming season were going to throw a party for the gang. Could that be for sure?

The gang is getting to look pretty slim Don't forget, guys and gals, if you don't work 40 hours in any one month, get your out of work stamp at CIO headquarters. You can become suspended, you know.

Champion Unit Sparklets

SPECIAL NOTICE: Through an oversight the name of Vern Montague was omitted from the list of newly elected committeemen in last week's Sparkletts. Vern has gone on first shift to serve as chairman of the Executive Shop Committee. The night shift will miss him, but we'll all be behind him plugging for him. So here's a rousing cheer for Vern, a swell guy!

Stefania Haladyna, Dept. D, second shift, is in Mercy Hospital recuperating from an operation. We hope she'll soon be up and about again.

William "Bill" Aiken of the Eng. Inspection Dept. is now the proud daddy of twin boys.

We read a lot about sending cards to congressmen, but we wonder how many of you know what such a little effort means. A congressman has listed, in the order of their importance, the different methods by which we make known how we wish them to vote on important issues, and a postcard written by hand heads the list. Next in order is the typewritten cards and letters, a petition signed by many names, and last of all, a telegram. Don't forget those handwritten postcards when legislation important to labor is at stake.

Just a word of caution to the members of the Champion Unit. When making a phone call to the Union Office the number is JOrdan 4433.

That reminds us — we don't have as many PAC members as we should at Champion. Of all the dollars you spend in a year that is probably the best dollar of all, because it comes back to you many times over in many ways. Let's all join the PAC.

Paul Justus, formerly electrician on the second shift, now in Uncle Sam's Navy, stopped in to see us the other day. His Navy uniform is very becoming to him.

Veronica Fess is in the hospital. We hope she soon recovers.

Donna Jewell of Dept. E is recovering from an operation. We wish her a speedy recovery too.

Canco Unit Opener

By Carmen Nader

EASY DOES IT

It is quite disturbing to see a former member of our unit become a "bad boy" by process of promotion. The man in question is Erwin Grimm, the foreman in Dept. 4. Maybe he should remember how he griped and harped not too long ago when Gus Buerk was in charge up there. Maybe he forgot the grievances we took up for him complaining about the very thing he is now doing. Ane of you kind souls should take the time to tell Erwin that he should become a little human and at times even smile. He sure won't be a foreman very long at the rate he is going. Maybe a little meditation on the past will help Erwin. Try it.

KNOW THEM?

Steve Gribo, the blond, loveable (?) hunk of man inspecting in the spray department.

Adolph Burcewicz, the hefty "B" electrician.

John Koscis, the tolerant, heavying, bashful (?) apprentice.

John Amstutz, the bright-eyed steward in Dept. 2.

Louie Krempa, the bargain-hunting coater tender in Dept. 6.

WHAT NEXT?

We've seen just about all there is to be seen but we are going to hang around a little longer to see if anything can top this. Some of the suspended members after being notified of same, have gone to the personnel office to check on their suspension as well as make application for reinstatement.

It would be well for you people to note that Mr. Fred Shearmire is not a committee man, nor a steward, nor even a member, honorary or otherwise. Let's wake up and start thinking along union lines while we still have a union.

National Supply Unit News

By Johnny McKnight

We sure had a fine turnout at the second annual banquet of the committeemen and stewards, held at the Secor Hotel. The food was fine and the entertainment was very good. Everyone had a good time, and are looking forward to next year. We all wish to thank the body for their generosity in making the evening possible for a lot of us.

We are a little late with this announcement, but for those who receive the JOURNAL on Friday, we wish to remind them to vote. Those who receive their paper on Saturday be sure to attend the special meeting Saturday, March 16, at Local 12 in parlor A. Our new officers will be installed at this meeting, and it will be the only meeting held this month because of the convention in Atlantic City.

Brother Bert Cousino is back on the job after recuperating from a serious injury.

We are always proud when one of our boys has a hand in putting on entertainment or elevating himself in Union activities. Such was the occassion last Saturday night at the banquet when Jimmy Durliat's name was announced among those who participated in the floor show or setting the tables or something. We sure were proud of our secretary. He sure can take it, because there was nothing else he could do about it.

This will be the last column by your present reporter, and I want to thank each one of you for your cooperatin in sending your help there would be no for your cooperation. Without column. My only hope is that you give your next reporter the same support and even better.

There is a short fellow on the election committee who is also doing a lot of campaigning on the side. No names will be mentioned, but that isn't necessary as every one can see the new clothes he is sporting. He never could afford them before.

After spending the whole 30 minutes of his lunch period evaluating his job and how much brain work there was connected with it, Danny Gilmore of the export dept. sure made a poor showing about an hour later when he couldn't figure out how to fit a crank into a box that was made for it. No, Danny, you will have to show us more than that to get that extra penny, or go to the poor house.

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The GM Settlement

After braving three months of cold, snow, rain and a little sunshine, the workers of the General Motors Corporation have ended their long strike.

If the weather was the only thing the union had to combat, the settlement could have come long ago, but they faced the most powerful industry in America, a hostile press, a reactionary congress and a timid and indecisive government, a combination which at times must have caused their spirits to sink.

But the workers never faltered. Strong in their belief in the justice of their cause and fortified by courage and determination, the men and women of General Motors never faltered. They kept the faith and their spirit could not be successfully downed.

While the strike represents a great economic loss both to the workers and the company, it is one of those things which cannot be measured in dollars and cents. The fact that the workers maintained their lines and stuck to their just demands cannot help but do something for the morale of every labor union in America.

Nor can the benefits which have come and shall continue to come to all labor unions because of the struggle of the General Motors workers be determined only by the actual dollars and cents settlement given to them, for it must be accepted that the gains which have been made in steel, shipbuilding, auto and other industries have been won as an indirect result of the fight of the GM workers.

We do not minimize the economic results obtained by the GM workers, but it appears now that there was much more involved than a mere fight for a living wage. The precedent set by the GM strikers in their demands, both before and after the strike, will set more than a wage pattern for the unions of America.

From the GM negotiations there will come a new phase of negotiations in which the industries of America eventually will share their good fortune with their workers. Out of this strike can come the real groundwork for the ideal of labor, an annual guaranteed wage.

To the workers of General Motors and their leadership we offer our sincere congratulations upon the successful ending of their strike and hope that they will now enter an era of peaceful and satisfactory relations with a corporation which on its side has done everything humanly possible to break the union.

To those of the United Automobile Workers and other CIO and AFL unions who have given their moral support to the GM workers we offer our thanks and praise and repeat the admonition "an injury to one is an injury to all" in reverse—a gain for one is a gain for all.

Nothing that we can say to the GM workers will mean as much to them as the fact that they alone had the courage to face one of the toughest situations that any group of workers ever faced. Theirs and theirs alone is the satisfaction that comes from having won through in the face of great obstacles.

It was a great fight and a great victory for a great group of workers.

"It's Nov. 19, 1949. At 10:30 a. m. World War III begins. It lasts exactly one hour and 21 minutes. At the end of that time there is not a single person still alive, there are no cities, towns or villages. There isn't any vegetation, no grass, flowers or trees—except in Africa, on the banks of a little known river: there is one solitary tree left, with a single branch, and on that branch are two miserable little monkeys, most of their fur singed off. Mrs. Monkey turns to Mr. Monkey and says, "What do we do now?" And Mr. Monkey replies: "What do we do now? Why, we've gotta begin the whole business all over again."

Delegate L. Triplett, of the Virginia House of Delegates, has introduced legislation to abolish work, yes, literally. Because he couldn't get help on his 1800-acre farm, he declared that "nobody wants to work any more, so I propose to prohibit work." His bill would make it unlawful "for any person to perform any work, labor, or act for any other person for a consideration." There's only one tiny amendment to the bill that Virginia unions want: That's to limit application of the bill to Delegate L. Triplett.

"Labor is no small segment of society; it is a great cross-section of American life."
—Robert H. Humphrey, mayor of Minneapolis.

What's New?

By Edward Duck Local 12 Educational Director

Editor's Note:—Eddie Duck's column was written prior to the GM strike settlement it still is good.

Now that we have won the war, we find that we have only the atomic bomb and a few medical and industrial discoveries to show for our efforts.

Where are all the golden postwar dreams, now that the fracas is ended? It seems a lot of us have been chasing rainbows, doesn't it?

Of course, Hitler and Tojo didn't succeed in taking over the White House, but 11 million veterans and their families will hardly be compensated for their past efforts by reminding themselves how much worse the postwar might have been, had we lost the war.

Even a moron could realize that the people of the United States of America are worse off today than before the war began.

The consumer, however, rates top honors as the prime glutton for punishment. Since the wage earner and the consumer are really the same person, it simply means that all of us are taking a double barrelled shellacking.

THE WAGE EARNER

The wage earner is not receiving a fair share of the profits of the corporation he serves. He is taxed disproportionately in relation to the wealthy individuals and businesses. On top of this, he pays inflationary prices for the common necessities of life.

The food trusts have gouged the public unmercifully. Food prices are growing more outrageous by the day, yet the huge combines are battering OPA to pieces in an attempt to do away with price control altogether.

The real estate and home building interests are lambasting Chester Bowles and the OPA in the hope that they might exploit the victims of the housing shortage and the optimistic people who hope to build new homes for themselves at a decent price. If rent control is abandoned, or if ceiling prices on building materials are lifted, may God have mercy on all those who do not already own their homes!

If there was a semblance of human understanding and decency in the body of men whom we have chosen to represent us in Washington, we would be without 95 percent.

PROFITS

General Motors, for example, is guaranteed by our government 85 percent of its profits for the next two years, based on its 1989 earnings, whether it produces a single automobile or not. What similar guarantee do the workers receive?

The automotive company is on a strike against both the workers and the government. If our congressmen had a spark of right-mindedness in them they would have already legislated to withdraw G-M's profit guarantee, in view of the company's actions and attitude since the dispute began.

This guarantee of profits is paid from taxes obtained from the public, including the taxes paid by the G-M workers themselves.

Legislation should be enacted guaranteeing liberal compensation benefits to the employes of any corporation which refuses to accept the findings and recommendation of the governmental Fact-Finding Committees.

The CIO should insist upon the passage of such a bill immediately, so that the workingmen are not starved into submission by vicious corporate managements. The bill should be retroactive to the date wage controls were modified, last September.

It is common knowledge that the G-M workers and their families are being made to suffer because organized management — particularly General Motors' management wishes to turn the workers against Walter Reuther, whom they fear more than any other labor leader.

Yes, the postwar is really something, alright! We can do something to change a lot of these things, but to do it we must unite and work toward a common goal with every bit of energy at our command.

SPEAKING OF HOUSING

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It's News To Me . . .

By O. J. Pecord

IMPULSES

One of the things that my dear old Irish grandmother used to tell me was to follow my hunches and play my impulses.

When I was a little younger, I did this, but after getting a few well directed bumps, it finally registered with me that caution if not prudence was the better part of valor. However, that's not what I started out to write about.

What this originally started out to be was a guide for delegates to the UAW-CIO Atlantic City convention. Hence, if you have never visited one of these orgies of union democracy this is for you whether you are a delegate or not. If, on the other hand, you have been a delegate before, read it anyhow.

This will not go into the problem of transportation, which, as you must know was a knotty question during the war. Now that the war is over, we can safely duck this and get down to the real stuff.

YOU ARRIVE

In other years when you arrived at the convention hotel, or some other hotel within easy distance from the convention hall, you lined up in a long line of delegates, sometimes it was two or three lines before the room clerk's desk.

Finally, after about one or sometimes two hours of waiting you got to the objective. Leaning over the desk you would hopefully say, "have you a room reserved for Joe Zilch?"

The room clerk would give you a fishy eye, dip down under the counter and come up with a handful of cards. After running through them quickly, he would say, "sorry, we have nothing for you. We will have no openings until six weeks from Monday at 2:00 a. m."

That's all out now. This year we are going to get rooms. In other years delegates from the same town and local could whisper in the clerk's ear, "I know Blah" and with a smile he would hand them a key to a good room. That's all out too, I hope.

FIRST NIGHT

After you get to your room, the first thing you do is look in the bath room to make sure there is a bottle opener fastened on the wall. If not, complain to the management. Then, remove your coat, necktie, (some delegates wear them the first few days) shirt and shoes, ring for room service, uncork your jug and prepare to relax.

After you have yourself in the proper spirit(s), you dress, look for a restaurant and after waiting for at least 30 minutes to one hour you finally get a cold steak, French fried potatoes, cabbage slaw, one pear sunk in cottage cheese, one cup of putrid coffee, one piece of apple pie and a bill that makes the El Dorado room seem like a piker.

Now you are ready for the evening. You return to the hotel to look up your friends first going straight to the hotel bar where you see some of your enemies quaffing amber, sidecars, martinis, highballs and other forms of liquid refreshments.

By this time you are getting rather parched in the throat and for the benefit of your health you force yourself to down a couple of doubles. Just as you have your mind all made up to go to your room and spend a nice quiet evening getting rested up for the serious business of the convention who walks in but one of your Local union pals.

THE NIGHT NOISES

Along about 2:30 a. m. the hostess bartender — Porter — house detective) pours you out the door so they can lock the joint up and you and your pal decide to talk things over. So he comes to your room, sits down on the bed and yawns and blurps while you as the genial host ring for room service to order a mix and ice.

About this time some leather-lunged lathe hand pushes his big head out the window and roars, "CIO". Then bedlam breaks loose. Windows fly up, heads pop out and the evenings serenade is on.

The first night is fun, but after the third, fourth, fifth, or sixth night when you really are determined to get down and do some serious close eye, its discouraging.

Just about the time you think everything is going to quiet down, along comes the leather-lunged lathe hand with his "CIO" and you're off again.

Insults leap from window to window. "Reuther is a horse thief, he shall be removed", "Thomas is a horse thief", everybody's a horse thief sings from windows on all floors.

Ah that is the resting period of the UAW-CIOvention. You lie in bed and wonder if your family is resting well. You think of your home and mother or your wife and kids and you wish you were in your own little bed. You think to yourself that it would be a pleasure to get up at 6:00 a. m. and go to work if only those iron men would quiet down and let you sleep.

When you awaken the next morning to grab a quick breakfast before dashing off to the convention hall, you bear a slight resemblance to a well used dishrag and you feel the same.

But this must stop now, lest some of you new delegates decide that the convention is too vigorous for your constitution. Nevertheless, it's the greatest show on earth, one that you will enjoy in retrospect more than you will while suffering from the torments of the endurance boys who never seem to tire in mind, body or lungs.

I'll be seeing you at the convention fellow sufferers and don't say you weren't warned.

Political Action

by Clayton Rusch Chairman of the Political Action Committee

Last August a long and terrible war was brought to a sudden end by use of a new and unique weapon.

In answer to those who argued that the atomic bomb caused the deaths of noncombatants including women and children, it could truthfully be said that the destruction of grown men who were soldiers in the war was hardly less tragic.

The war is over and the song is ended, but the melody lingers on, as can be seen by looking at the daily paper or listening to the radio.

FRUITS OF VICTORY

The immense sacrifices entailed in winning total victory can only be justified if the fruits of that victory are the assurance of a just and permanent peace.

Now, seven months after the cessation of hostilities it would appear we have won the spoils of victory, but certainly not the fruits.

We find the old game of power politics in which Uncle Sam is to be the Santa Claus for all those who wish to assure the peace of the world on the terms of their respective desires and ambitions.

In the course of the war,under the leadership of President Roosevelt, the people of the United States had resolved to carry through the aspirations of Woodrow Wilson and participate in a world organization of nations which would maintain world peace by solving difficult problems in a scientific manner.

Steps have been made in Even while the war was being concluded the United Nations Organizatio. was inaugurated. Its purpose was and is, to find ways and means to establish and maintain world peace.

This objective must not be sidetracked. It must not fail. Those who died, died for a great cause. To us the living is life the sacred responsibility of bringing into actuality that world which they gave their all to make possible.

Now is the time to prevent the next war. This cannot be accomplished by this or any other nation holding the threat of the atomic bomb, like the sword of Democles over the world.

World peace can become a reality only when the welfare of the plain people is considered above profits and monopoly.

Passage of legislation to assure that everyone has a job, with high enough wages so that all can live decently, is the only guarantee that we can effectively participate in an organization which can really guarantee world peace.

Labor's Fight

By Ben Dor

Last summer, I heard some lectures on the history of the labor movement. In his last lecture, the speaker asked a question that a lot of people were asking at the same time: Was the American labor movement going to come through the reconversion period without losing the strength it had gained during the war?

During the New Deal, he pointed out, and during the war, American labor had grown bigger than ever before in history.

But reconversion was going to be tough. It would bring new problems to union leadership, and new chances to union-busting employers. There would be special dangers to the newer large industrial unions; their problems would be greater even though they had had less experience.

Last fall, I spoke in a small northern mining town. There were farmers as well as city workers, and some merchants in the audience. I tried to explain what it is that drives labor onward today, what it is that the American labor movement is reaching for.

After the meeting, one of the miners waited to tell me how much he agreed with what I had said. He was an older man. He had gotten his first ideas about social progress when he was a boy, from a labor organization which is today little more than a memory. His organization is gone, but the ideals for which he first joined that group live on in the labor movement of today.

I've been thinking about both of these men. I wish I could find them again and say to them, "Don't worry, boys. We're over the reconversion hump and the movement is still safe. We're still going strong, and we're going to be stronger than we ever were. The movement is going to be using its greater strength for the same cause—the greater welfare of the common man—for which so many people have worked and fought and died in American history."

I'm more anxious to talk with the miner than with the lecturer. I want to tell him about the last few months, because, in my mind, he stands for the centuries of common people who carried this cause along before you and I came into the picture.

In America, the blood of that kind of man had been spilled even before the Revolution began. It was spilled in the Revolutionary War, and in the second revolution—the one that was called the Civil War. And it has been spilled many times since. There have always been movements, parties and organizations who have fought for the same things we fight for today. We are the latest in that series; today, we keep burning the torch which has been handed from one group to another all through history.

It is to all these groups that I would like to say, "Don't worry. We aren't going to let you down."

I would like to tell them about what we have already come through in the short period since V-J Day. About the strike lines, and the guts our boys have shown on those lines. About the pickets who were beaten and killed, just as in the old days, while the rest of the pickets stood firm anyway.

I want to tell them about the new wage levels that are being set, and about the new maturity which labor is reaching in the halls, of government agencies and on the battleground of Congress. I want to tell them about the new organizing drives that are being planned, about the new people who will get protection they never had because of the labor movement today. About the people who will for the first time become militant citizens and workers because of us.

If I could go back to that town and tell it to that miner, I'd feel that in a way I'd be telling all of those who came before us.

I don't want anyone to get the idea that I'm kidding myself about the days that lie ahead. The same people who are now admitting that we're **not** going to crack up during reconversion are saying that we **will** crack up in the next depression.

The enemy is stronger than ever, and he isn't going to give up easily. The splits in the movement aren't going to help any, either.

I'm bothered by what we're going to have to face — and soon. But I'm not worried about how we're going to face them.

The momentum of history is on our side. All of the drive toward better things for more people is on our side. The people pushing for us are in every country. Their names go back to the earliest years for which human records can be found. They stare at us from the pages of the history books, and they all seem to be asking the same question.

Regional Views

By Richard Gosser

Director Region 2B, UAW-CIO

We are all proud of the showing that has been made by the General Motors strikers in their long fight against the richest corporation in the world, but we are just as proud of the workers in and out of our union who have recognized the significance of the fight and given the GM workers their moral and financial support.

After all, none can deny that the advances which have been made in th wage scale in our own and other unions has come because of the determination and courage shown by the GM strikers. Does anyone imagine that the wage increases which are being granted in many industries would have been granted had it not been for the GM strike?

On our part, we too must show our determination to stick with the GM workers until their strike has been satisfactorily settled and they are back on the job. It has been a lot easier on us to make donations to the strikers than it is for them to give up their jobs for a principle. We cannot and must not let them down now.

STRIKE SETTLEMENT

Nobody knows, unless it is the officials of the GM corporation when this strike will end. Certainly, the union has shown every desire to end the situation by offering arbitration to the company and other means which could have been used some time ago to break the deadlock which exists between the management and union.

Nobody thought when the strike began last November, that it would go this long. The fact that the workers have had the courage to stick and their willingness to see their fight through to the bitter end cannot help but impress everyone.

Only by continuing to support the GM people can we insure their continuing until victory is their's. We can do this by continuing to make our donations regularly to the strike fund in our shops and Locals. The strikers have helped us and we in turn must help them win.

To all the Locals of Region 2-B as well as those who do not belong to the Automobile Workers who have given generously to the strike fund, I want to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation. The support which our people in this region have given to GM workers is a sure sign that they are awake to the situation and aware of the urgent necessity of winning this strike.

This region has compiled an outstanding record all during the strike for its support of the GM workers of whom we all have cause to be proud. I know we will not let our fellow workers down at this late stage of the situation.

Washington Labor Report

By Bradford V. Carter

DEBACLE

There is no such thing as a Republican Party or a Democratic Party as far as Congress is concerned. There are only liberals and conservatives or progressives and reactionaries. Whichever words you use to describe the alignment of forces, one thing is clear. The boys "agin" the interests of the people who have to work for a living are in control, and they intend to remain in control.

The reactionary coalition previously had been only a cloakroom alliance. Last week, however this alliance gained new courage by its ability to emasculate the Wyatt emergency housing program and came out into the open. It actually got some 75 congressmen to come to a meeting to discuss program and appointed a committee for further investigation. There is evidence, too, that the coalition movement is gaining strength in the Senate as well.

What makes the upsurge of reaction in Congress even more remarkable is the fact that Truman's chief asset was said to be his ability to get along with Congress. Maybe so, but the fact remains that Congress has turned down every important recommendation which the President has submitted to it and on which it has taken action.

DANGEROUS

The situation is dangerous in the extreme. Extension of an anti-inflationary price control law is seriously in doubt. As we have noted, the veteran's emergency housing program is on its way toward emasculation. The version of the full employment bill which emerged from the Congressional slaughterhouse has, as its only striking feature, provision for three $15,000-a-year men to advise the president on economic trends. At that, it is not unlikely that some deserving ex-congressman or ex-governor or needy politician will be rewarded by getting at least one of the jobs.

The legislative situation is worrisome not only in retrospect. There is also enough to worry about the next several months. Scheduled for legislative action from here on out are such crucial pieces of legislation as the health insurance program, the 65c minimum wage law, the Wagner-Murray-Dingell comprehensive social security program, the extension of unemployment compensation benefits during the reconversion period, and the Wagner-Ellender-Taft general housing bill.

In its present temper Congress will consign all of this legislation to obscurity. A consistent pattern of opposition is clearly evident. If there are powerful vested interests of business in opposition in a piece of legislation, Congress will likewise be in opposition.

WAY IT WORKS

Ths was the way it worked out in the housing program which was fought by the real estate lobby. And this is the way the situation will work out in health insurance which runs counter to the interest of the powerful American Medical Association, in the 65c minimum wage bill which sweatshoppers all over the nation don't want, in price control which business in general doesn't want. You can figure out the rest for yourself.

"The Spiral Staircase," Romance With McGuire, Brent, Barrymore

Ordeal of Terror in an Eerie Setting, Its Heroine Hemmed in at the Mercy of a Killer Secretly Gloating Over His Intended Victim.

by Burny Zawodny

An ingenious plot and the work of a superb cast lend distinction to "The Spiral Staircase", a coming picture to Rivoli theatre s RKO Radio's newest screen mystery, with Dorothy McGuire, Geo. Brent and Ethel Barrymore in the stellar roles.

Based on Ethel Lina White's novel, "Some Must Watch," the gripping film deals with the experiences of the heroine, threatened by a baffling killer who has terrorized a small Vermont village. The killer specializes in murdering young women and the girl seems marked as a victim.

Burny Zawodny

Miss McGuire portrays a housemaid companion in an old mansion dominated by crochety old Mrs. Warren (Ethel Barrymore). Two sons, a professor of biology (George Brent) and a wayward idler, (Gordon Oliver) also live there, as well as a cook, a handy man, a nurse and the professor's secretary. Helen's only real friend is Dr. Parry, (Kent Smith) a young physician in love with her and worried for her safety.

Various mysterious happenings around the big house convince him that it is too dangerous for Helen to stay in the neighborhood any longer. He plans to send her to Boston, but before he can complete arrangements he is called away on a case. When the biologist's secretary is murdered, Helen finds herself alone with two Warren men, one of whom she knows is the murderer. She locks up the one she suspects, only to discover that she has guessed wrong and is at the mercy of the slayer.

In the featured cast Elsa Lanchester is the cook and Sara Allgood is the nurse. Robert Siodmak, noted for his handling of thrillers, directed the Dore Schary production; Mel Dinelli's screenplay was based on "Some Must Watch" the best seller by Ethel Lina White.

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Eddie Hanf the popular M. C. and funster for Local 12 UAW-CIO made a hit with the crowd that attended Stewards, Committeeman and Activities 2nd Annual Dinner of Local 12 UAW-CIO at Secor Hotel. He not only entertained them with his funny humor and dancing but also had help from union representatives, who are Randolph Gray, Cap Andrews, Jim Dennis, Bill Healy and naturaly taking pot shots at me.

DOUBLE WEDDING

Betty Hutton, who married Sonny Tufts in closing scenes of Paramount's "Cross My Heart," became a real-life bride of Ted Briskin of Chicago, soon afterward.

VETERAN ACTOR CAST

Charles Trowbridge, veteran character actor and early day Broadway idol, has been cast for the important role of Judge Putnam in M-G-M's "You Were There," starring Katharine Hepburn and Robert Taylor. Trowbridge has appeared in nearly 100 pictures since switching from stage to screen a dozen years ago.

Excerpts from the "Diary of a Chambermaid", now showing at Valentine Theatre . . . from top to bottom, I Celestine, the Chambermaid was polishing the silver of Madame Lanlaire together with Joseph, the butler, and Louise . . . Then Madame sent me to read to her son Georges. I had never met such a fine gentleman . . . Then I went with Captain Manger, he has asked me to marry him. Oh dear daisy, what should I do.

FINALLY GETS REST

After finishing Paramount's "Monsieur Beaucaire," Bob Hope has gone to Palm Springs for his first vacation in four and one-half years.

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Seen On A Hollywood Movie Set

HOLLYWOOD — The scene is a dramatic one between Katharine Hepburn and Robert Taylor. It is the first sequence filmed in M-G-M's "You Were There."

First, the scene is filmed in a "long shot" including both stars. Then Director Vincente Minnelli moves his camera in for a closeup of Miss Hepburn. Taylor paces around in the background awaiting his "big moment," his first close-up since his return to the cameras.

Finally, twenty minutes later, Minnelli calls for him. Excitedly, Taylor steps into place and the word for action is given. At that precise moment, every light in the second stage goes out. Investigation discloses that the power has failed throughout the studio.

Taylor, let down, sinks into a chair and, with a wry grip, says, "Talk about the face that broke the camera! I wait for three years for this and then look what happens!"

STAR IS LINGUIST

Ray Milland, in addition to his native Welsh, speaks three foreign languages, Spanish, French and German. He co-stars with Teresa Wright in Paramount's "The Imperfect Lady."

Wears Movie Costume To White House Ball

HOLLYWOOD — For one scene in "Easy Come, Easy Go," at Paramount, Dorothy O'Hara designed an evening dress for Diana Lynn which Director John Farrow refused to let her wear on the grounds that in the film Diana would not be able to afford such a fine costume. Diana was so pleased with the dress, however, that she bought it from the studio for her own, and recently wore it for the first time — at President Truman's White House ball.

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Author May Publish "Blue Dahlia" Story

HOLLYWOOD—Author Raymond Chandler is mulling various publication offers for his screenplay, "The Blue Dahlia," recently completed at Paramount with Alan Ladd, Veronica Lake and William Bendix starred under direction by George Marshall.

Chandler holds publication rights to the property, first work he has written expressly for the screen and his first story to be prepared in script form only.

The writer already had an offer by the Saturday Evening Post, to run the story in serial form. He has four published novels, including "The Big Sleep" and "Farewell, My Lovely," both already filmed, and two collections of his short stories have just hit the bookstands.

If he publishes "The Blue Dahlia" in either the book or magazine medium, Chandler will have to adapt the yarn from screenplay form and a commitment to script his novel, "Lady in the Lake," at MGM may preclude this additional writing chore.

KEEPS WORLD UNITED

Lizabeth Scott is setting a new style in blouses with her United Nations special in Paramount's "The Strange Love of Martha Ivers." This is a colorful print creation with the flags of all the United Nations on a white background.

"Miss Susie Slagle's" Fine, Stirring Movie

"Miss Susie Slagle's Paramount's heart-warming film about doctors in the making which is now showing at the Paramount Theatre, has all the nostalgic charm and romance of young America at the turn of the twentieth century. The piture co-sars Sonny Tufts, Veronica Lake and newcomer, Joan Caulfield, and brings back to the screen Lillian Gish, one of the biggest stars of the "silent" days. Miss Gish portrays Susie Slagle, proprietress of a boarding house for medical students, where most of the story's action takes place.

Adapted from Augusta Tucker"s popular novel of the same name, "Miss Susie Slagle's" traces the early careers of five students, including Sonny Tufts, their struggle to achieve success and the women who made that success seem worth while. Sonny, the big "little" boy of "I Love a Soldier" and other comedies, goes through some dramatic paces as the doctor who must overcome the fear of seeing people die, and he definitely scores in this initial thespian venture. Veronica Lake is back wearing the white uniform she assumed so effectively in "So Proudly We Hail."

While "Miss Susie Slagle's" is notable for its able use of considerable new talent—including JohnBerry, the director—special mention goes to Joan Caulfield. Miss Caulfield is a youthful newcomer with a refreshing blonde beauty and a charm which is highly individual. She apes no one and is seemingly without the slightest bit of artifice. As the little coquette determined to get her man, she is one of the most enchanting personalities to reach the screen. Theatre-goers will recall that Joan is the original "Kiss and Tell" girl of the George Abbott Broadway hit.

"Miss Susie Slagle's" is a delight for the movie-goer and a springboard to success for some promising new faces.

VALLEE RETURNS

After serving two years in the Coast Guard, Rudy Vallee returns to the screen in Paramount's "People Are Funny," for Producers Pine and Thomas.

Betty Hutton In The "Perils of Pauline"

HOLLYWOOD — "Perils of Pauline," based on the life and adventure of the famous serial queen of the silent films, Pearl White, will be brought to the screen by Paramount with Betty Hutton in the title role.

John Lund, who impressed Paramount studio officials with his screen debut in "To Earth His Own," in which he co-starred with Olivia de Havilland, will be starred opposite Miss Hutton.

The film will be produced in Technicolor with George Marshall directing.

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STUDENT AND UNDERSTUDY

Johnny McHale, understudy to the mighty Hank Greenberg at first base for the Detroit Tigers, is a senior at Notre Dame University.

Six Kayoes Feature Local 12 Fight Card

From The Rule Book

By Wilbert "Birdie" Rule
Director of Education and Recreation

Now that the 1945-46 basketball season is almost ended, it is about time to tell about one of the truly great teams in the United States. I mean the present Notre Dame basketeers, considered the best quintet ever to represent the South Bend university which opens its doors to those of all faiths and creeds who desire knowledge.

"Birdie" Rule

Notre Dame had the enviable record of 17 victories out of 21 contests and this record stamps them as probably the best team in the annals of that school's history. And that history is rich in athletic lore. This same Irish quintet was rated, during most of the season, as the best college team in the nation.

One of the most rugged schedules of any team in the country was played by Notre Dame this season, and, after thirteen games played and won, the Irish were defeated by Northwestern University with a 56 to 55 score—a perfect record broken by the slim margin of one point. However, this defeat was avenged when the two teams met in the Notre Dame gymnasium and the Irishers from South Bend won handily to the tune of 57 to 50.

The 1945-46 Notre Dame team survived the season without losing a game on its home court, and by winning nine straight on this schedule, the total of consecutive victories was brought to 24. They have not been defeated at home since December 4, 1943. During the past ten years the Notre Dame basketball teams have chalked up the outstanding record of 96 wins and only 7 defeats on their home floor.

Up to the present season, no basketball team has gone through a full schedule without a defeat, but when one considers the fact that every opponent on a Notre Dame schedule, "points" for that game in particular, it would be very difficult to accomplish the feat of a season of victories.

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Joe Lohman, newly elected sergeant-at-arms of the Spicer Unit Executive Committee, and member of the Local 12 boxing committee, points out that when Joe Louis fights Billy Conn in New York City on the night of July 19, it will be exactly 10 years to the day after Louis was knocked out in the same city by Max Schmeling.

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Brother Dick Gosser tells the one about the Scotchman who was a delegate to a convention and who took along a two-dollar bill and a clean shirt and didn't change either one.

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Eddie Duck is offering some prognostications. He says that Bily Conn will defeat Joe Louis, also that Walter Reuther will win over R. J. Thomas for the presidency of the United Auto Workers, and that Brother Richard Gosser will be elected vice-president of the UAW—if he chooses to run for the office.

Weightlifters

Swimming season is fast approaching. Soon we will get our swimming trunks out and take a trip to the beach. How will you look in your trunks? Have you let yourself go this past winter?

On the beach, attired in our swim suits, is one of the few places where we are all equal. When we are fully clothed, a rich man with his poise and clothes and pockets full of cash can look a hole right through us at 60 paces. But on the beach if you have a commanding physique, bubbling with energy, you will then realize that you possess one of the few things that money can't buy.

Don't let yourself go. Get in shape for those happy days at the beach. The Local 12 gym is the spot to acquire that physique you wish. So far we've heard from five weightlifting enthusiasts: Ed Gorlewski, Robert Weber, Harvey King, Al Szilak and Mike Cottey. Let's hear from more of you and we will get in touch with you when we are ready to go.

By bobbing his head in a certain way, the sea gull shows other gulls the direction of a school of fish.

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7. P-KKt4	7. B-Kt3
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9. P-KR4	9. Kt-K5
10. B-Q2	10. Q-Kt3
11. KtxB	11. KtxB
12. QxKt	12. RPxKt
13. O-O-O	13. Kt-Q2
14. Q-B4	14. P-K3
15. P-Kt5	15. Q-Kt5
16. Kt-K4	16. B-KT
17. R-R3	17. P-K4
18. PxP	18. Kt-B4
19. R-KB3	19. O-O
20. Kt-B6ch	21. Kt-Q6ch
21. QxQ	20. PxKt
22. BxKt	22. BxQ
23. KPxP	23. QR-Kt
24. P-B3	24. B-B4
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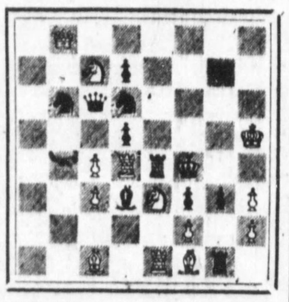

Frank Follows Frankie

Frank Gilhooley, of Toledo, son of the baseball great Frankie Gilhooley, is following in his father's footsteps in the world of baseball. Young Frankie is a member of the Notre Dame University baseball team for 1946. He also was member of last season's fine basketball squad.

Detroit Battler Wins Here

This picture shows some of the action in the bout between Troy Johnson, Local 12, and Lee Weems, of the Shamrock A. C., Detroit, when the latter took a close decision from the Toledoan. This fight was the main event on the Local 12 boxing show, Tuesday night, in the Civic Auditorium. Weems had just thrown a right hook while Johnson eleverly steps away from it.

Four Teams Left In Local 12 Round Robin

The third round of the Local 12 Round Robin "double knockout" basketball tournament was played at Scott High School gymnasium, Monday night, and four of the teams are still in the running for the title.

In the quarter-finals, the Spicer Unit team defeated the DeVilbiss Unit five after one overtime period, following a 29 to 29 tie at the end of the regular play. Although Dick Rowe was the high scorer of the game with 11 points to his credit, Bob Aultman was the hero to the crowd because it was his basket in the closing seconds which gained the victory for the Spicerites. The final score was 34 to 32, with Spicer on the top.

In this game full of thrills, the final outcome was in doubt until the last few seconds of the contest. Ed Kanney was the big gun again for the DeVilbiss outfit. Kanney was in almost all of the play and gathered ten points for his teammates. The game was well played by both teams and was an action-packed contest for the fans to watch.

The Auto-Lite quintet, which won the Local 12 Basketball League championship, continued in their unbroken string of victories by defeating the Gordon Bumper basketeers in a thrilling contest which found the champions on the long end of a 47 to 41 tally. The two scoring aces of the Auto-Lite team, Bill Thompson and Joe Horvath, each gathered 14 points which helped considerably in their victory.

The Champion Spark Plug boys proved a little too strong and a bit too accurate on shooting when they gave a trimming to the Toledo Tube Unit five, 48 to 28, which eliminated the Toledo Tubers from further competition in the tournament. In this contest Clayton Shepler was "on the beam" and sank the old apple for a total of 17 points for the Spark Plugs.

Basketball Tournament Schedule

The following is the schedule for the Local 12 Round Robin tournament to be played Monday night, in the Scott High School gymnasium:

The Champion Spark Plug vs Gordon Bumper, 8 p.m.

The Spicer Unit vs Auto-Lite at 9 p. m.

There will be a preliminary game to these contests between the Local 12 "Fizz Kids" (sons of members of Local 12) and the St. Mary's team, runners up in the CYO league.

Local 12 Bowling

By Ed Mandy

Prospects for two teams sharing the International League crown appears unlikely now, since the Canco boys trimmed the Willys quintet two games last week to build up their lead to three games, with only nine to play.

Ed Mandy

Those who witnessed this match could see that the pressure was on, both teams shooting below par, with Frank Nadolny, Canco's dependable anchor, shooting one of his lowest single games (124) in many a season.

The Local 12 Ladies' League produced only one kegler over the 500 mark, Alvina Kwiatkowski going over that total by seven pins. Other good single gameswere Phyllis Garvlik, 189, Lakeside No. 1; Pauline Ritchie, 189, Canco. Martha Jurski, 182, Lakeside No. 2; Martha Kwiatkowski, 180, Packard, and Aloise Szykowny, 173, PAC.

Tessie Madrzynski converted the 2-8-10 as did Aloise Szykowny, while Angie Hill put the 4-10 on the credit side and Helen Kwiatkowski the 4 5-7.

STANDINGS

American Division

	W.	L.
Toledo Scales	56	22
Willy's No. 1	46	32
DeVilbiss Mfg. Co.	41	37
Willys No. 2	41	37
Standard Commutator	37	41
National Supply Squadron	32	46
Auto-Lite	30	48
P. A. C.	29	49

National Division

	W.	L.
DeVilbiss Mfg. Co.	66	12
Standard Commutator	49	12
Willys No. 4	49	29
Ransom & Randolph	45	33
Hall No. 1	36	42
Willys No. 3	32	46
Hall No. 2	22	56
Gordon Bumper	13	65

International Division

	W.	L.
American Can	54	21
Willys	51	24
Mather No. 1	48	27
Toledo Pressed Steel	45	30
Bingham Stamping	43	32
Mather No. 2	24	51
Gordon Bumper	24	51
Rathbun Eng.	11	64

Weems Wins Over Johnson; Gallagher Beats Weidinger

Fresh from his conquest in winning the Southeastern Golden Gloves bantamweight championship, Troy Johnson ran into a Tartar in the person of Lee Weems, of the Shamrock A. C., Detroit, and lost a three-round decision to the Auto City fighter on the weekly Local 12 A. C. boxing card, held Tuesday night in the Civic Auditorium. These boys weighed in at 118 pounds.

Johnson aggravated an old injury to his left thumb and was unable to use his left hand after the first round of the match. The decision of the judges was close, however, and the verdict could have gone either way, but the Detroiter got the nod. The fight was the main go of a ten bout card and was full of action for the entire route.

In the semi-final, Dick Gallagher, of Jack Hays' Shamrock A. C., won another close decision over Jerry Weidinger, holder of the 118 pound Golden Gloves title for the state of Indiana. This bout was well received by the large crowd of fans in the Auditorium. Both of the little battlers received a big hand from the audience.

Five of the other bouts on the card were won by technical knockouts. Dick Morris, Local 12 A. C. 126 pound fighter, won a clean cut knockout over Preston Montague, of Toledo, in the second round of their bout. This was Morris' first knockout victory since his release from the armed forces.

Len Weems, twin brother of Lee, took exactly one minute and a half to score a TKO over Willie Shy of Toledo. Shy showed remarkable unwillingness to continue to fight after receiving a few of Len's left and right hooks.

Another Local 12 A. C. ringman won by a TKO when the mighty Tito Clarey, 90 pound leather slinger, had more of what it takes and punched Joe Belsiori, of the Annunciation A. C., Detroit, around the ring until the fight was stopped in the third round by referee Lloyd Bennett to save Joe from further punishment. The Mizzi brothers, Joe and Ray from the Highland Park Boys' Club, continued with their unbroken string of victories when Ray won by a TKO over Ray Jackson, Local 12 A. C. boy who was appearing in his first fight, and Joe won in the same manner when he had Willie Jordan, Toledo, out on his feet.

Russell Huff, Local 12 A. C. battler, won a hard fought encounter from Willie Oliver, of Toledo. Russ gave the fans a lot for their money when he punched his opponent with everything in the ring. George Lucas, Detroit, proved to be a little too strong for Melvin Tarr, Local 12 A. C. and the bout was stopped by the referee after an old cut had been opened on Tarr's eye. The boys weighed 140 pounds.

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